GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
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Schemes for Promotion of Sports
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes under implementation along with the schemes proposed for promotion of sports in the country particularly in the rural areas in the country;
(b) the details of funds allocated for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
(c) the details of sports/games identified for promotion under the said schemes in the country;
(d) whether promotion of sports at school level is also included in the said schemes and if so, the details thereof;
(e) whether the Government proposes to organise sports events and also develop sports infrastructure at the Panchayat level and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Kerala; and
(f) the details of schemes to identify sporting talents from the rural/tribal areas along with the number of players so identified during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)
(a) Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports is implementing the Central Sector Scheme named "Khelo India − National Programme for Development of Sports", including promotion of sports in rural areas, from the Financial year 2016-17 with the following objectives:-
a) Mass participation of youth in annual sports competitions through a structured competition;
b) Identification of talent;
c) Guidance and nurturing of the talent through existing sports academies and new set up either by the central Government or State Government or in PPP mode.
d) Creation of Sports Infrastructure.
In addition to above, Government of India is running a number of Schemes for the sportspersons such as Pension Scheme, Special (Cash) Awards, Sports Awards etc. which encourages younger generation, including those from rural areas, to take-up sports as career.
(b) State/UT wise details of funds released during the current financial year 2016-17 under Khelo India Scheme is at Annexure − I.
(c) The following sports/games have been identified under Khelo India Scheme:
<pre>1. Athletics
2. Gymnastics
3. Swimming
4. Badminton
5. Table Tennis
6. Archery
7. Wushu
8. Taekwondo
9. Weightlifting
10. Cycling
11. Boxing
12. Judo
13. Wrestling
14. Kabaddi
15. Kho-Kho
16. Hockey
17. Football
18. Volleyball
19. Basketball
20. Handball
21. Tennis</pre>
(d) Khelo India Scheme aims at promotion of sports all over the country including schools. School Games Federation of India (SGFI) is recognized as a National Sports Federation and extended all requisite support under the scheme of Financial Assistance to National Sports Federation's.
(e) Under Khelo India Scheme sports competitions are held at District, State and National level. It also provides for establishment of sports infrastructure. Details of funds released for holding sports competitions and for creation of sports infrastructure under Khelo India Scheme during the current financial year 2016-17 are at Annexure − I.
(f) Sports Authority of India runs a scheme titled Special Area Games (SAG) which specially caters sports persons from rural and tribal areas. The details of number of Trainees trained under SAG Scheme during last three years is as under:-
<pre>Year

Boys
Girls
Total
2013-14
1012
734
1746
2014-15
944
723
1667
2015-16
1055
807
1862</pre>
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